

# SENATE WATCH

A summary of today's Senate actions; published daily when the Senate is in session.

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# THIRD READING

SB 998 (Cropsey) SB 999 (Sanborn) SB 1000 (Patterson)

<u>SB 998</u> would establish Drug Treatment Courts to supervise treatment programs for individuals who abuse or are dependant upon any controlled substance or alcohol. These courts have proven to be effective at helping non-violent individuals get help and stay out of the criminal justice system. This bill is necessary to create and set standards for drug treatment courts throughout the state of Michigan.

- Committee 1 (S-3) was defeated [no RC].
- Cropsey 2 (S-4) was adopted [no RC].
- SB 998 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

<u>SB 999</u> would exclude a person who had successfully completed participation in a drug treatment court from a deferral and dismissal of controlled substance charges.

• SB 999 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading. No amendments.

<u>SB 1000</u> would exclude a person who had successfully completed participation in a drug treatment court from future designation as a youthful trainee.

- Committee 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC].
- SB 1000 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

#### SB 1032 (Garcia)

SB 1032 would protect from public disclosure (under the Freedom of Information Act) certain confidential investment information received by a public university or college.

- Committee 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC].
- SB 1032 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

#### HB 4179 (Shackleton)

HB 4179 require the \$25 Elder Prescription Insurance Coverage (EPIC) fee be returned to any applicant who does not qualify. Currently, the fee is non-refundable – meaning it is kept by the state.

- Committee 1 (S-2) was adopted [no RC].
- HB 4179 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

### HB 4702 (Caswell)

HB 4702 would require assessors to exclude from the sales data all sales of agricultural real property that was not sold for agricultural use.

- Committee 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC].
- HB 4702 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

## HB 5104 (Van Regenmorter)

HB 5104 include the crimes of  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  degree abuse of vulnerable adults that results in death as felony murder. This would increase penalties for individuals that commit abuse against vulnerable adults resulting in death to the level of  $1^{st}$  degree murder, which is life imprisonment.

- Committee 1 (amends) was adopted [no RC].
- HB 5104 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

## HB 5184 (Woronchak)

HB 5184 would require all new employees and contract workers of adult foster care facilities, whose work "would regularly would be providing direct services" to the residents, to submit to a criminal background check as a qualification for employment.

Support: MI Protection and Advocacy Service, MI Campaign for Quality Care, MI Advocacy Project, AARP, DLEG, the Administration.

• HB 5184 was moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading. No amendments